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Labor Is First Fascist Target

All over the world fascism—which is nothing more nor less than gang rule by the greedy—has found that in order to establish its dictatorship it has first got to put labor in a strait-jacket of regimenting laws.

While foreign fascism has done this through bloody seizure of power, American fascism is trying to do the trick by propagandizing the people and putting pressure on the law-makers. It may be impossible to fool all of the people all of the time, but through control of the press, radio, and other propaganda machines, the Selfish Interests have sometimes been able to fool enough of the people enough of the time to get them to act against their own interests.

In the South, Christian America has been the center of this activity, but in the nation as a whole, the most powerful force working for this end has been the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM), which since 1903 has been poisoning the American public mind with the best-financed and most far-reaching anti-labor propaganda of all time.

Representing $60 billions of corporate wealth, and dominated by 60 giant firms, the NAM carries on its propaganda through its "National Industrial Information Committee" (NIIC), and special Committees on Agriculture, Education, Church, Labor, and Women.

In spite of strong criticism from national leaders in these fields, the NIIC is finding it possible to obtain unsuspecting local sponsorship for its "conferences." (Women's groups in Atlanta and Richmond were taken in during November.)

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"Christian America" Plots Dangerous Legislation

As eight Southern state legislatures prepare to meet early in 1945, fascist-minded forces are plotting to railroad through the long-awaited sessions dangerous and anti-democratic measures. The spearhead of these groups is an organization flaunting false colors and faking patriotism, ironically named The Christian American. This special issue of **The Southern Patriot** presents a timely expose of this conspiracy, and its national connections.

The organization, neither "Christian" nor "American", has from its beginning in Texas in 1936, fought every Roosevelt measure. Lately it has concentrated its attack, through the press and state assembly halls, on labor.

The "Christian American" plan comes nicely wrapped in three deceitful packages:

1. **"Anti-Violence-in-Strikes" laws. Everybody who opposes these laws is accused of upholding "The Right-to-Riot".**
2. **"Right-to-Work" amendments to state and Federal constitutions, banning the union shop. This ought to be called "The Right-to-Scab" amendment.**
3. **Repeal of the Wagner Labor Relations Act.**

Each and every one of these proposals means less money in workers' pay envelopes. It's no wonder the reactionary Moneybags are glad to shell-out for the "Christian American" kitty!

Under the so-called "Anti-Violence-in-Strikes" laws, all that's necessary to break up a labor union is for an employer to get a stooge to charge that union officials, members, or pickets have **threatened** (not necessarily committed) violence "to deprive him of his right to work." Stiff sentences and heavy fines against the union men do the rest.

As for the demerits of the so-called "Right-to-Work" amendment, suffice it to say that working in a union shop is like living in a democracy: those who are unwilling to share the responsibilities are not entitled to share the benefits: and they are free to get out. Besides being in conflict with Federal laws protecting the rights of workers, the amendment would deny the employer and employee their Constitutional freedom to

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THE FIRING LINE

The legislatures of eight Southern states are convening early in 1945, and the people in those states had better be prepared to fight the destructive measures which are almost certain to be introduced. Here's the line-up:

Tennessee	**January 1**
North Carolina	**January 3**
Georgia	**January 8**
Arkansas	**January 8**
Texas	**January 9**
South Carolina	**January 9**
Florida	**April 3**
Alabama	**May 8**

Men And Money Behind The Scenes

The ex-officio messiah of the "Christian Americans" is none other than the ex-flour-salesman, "Pass-the-Biscuits Pappy" O'Daniel, now U. S. Senator from Texas. O'Daniel not only tries to sell the "Christian American" concoctions to Congress, but also hops about from one state legislature to another, handling the same product. **Probably Pappy is best known for having said, "No man in overalls is worth more than $1.50 a day."** Right now the Government is trying to find out where he got so much paper to print his anti-administration "O'Daniel News."

Long-time Lobbyist

But the Christian Americans' chief-cook-and-bottle-washer is a man named Vance Muse, who is assisted by his wife and one Val Sherman. Muse has a long record as a lobbyist for Big Business. Among his escapades have been a campaign to put over a tariff that would hurt Southern farmers and help Big Business, and a tax program that would exempt corporations from paying their just share —and soak the poor. Three times already Muse has been hailed before Congressional investigating committees and asked to reveal what he was up to and where he gets his money.

From time to time he has received financial contributions from such big Northern industrialists as the duPonts, Armours, Wideners, Sam Insull, Stone and Webster, John J. Raskob, Howard C. Hopson of Associated Gas and Electric, E. W. Mudge of Wierton Steel, Ogden Mills, Alfred P. Sloan, and the Pittsburg Plate Glass Company, among others.

Twelve-hour Day Man

The titular head of the "Christian Americans," a Texas realtor named S. Valentine Ulrey, is chiefly noted for advocating a 12-hour work day, a six-day work week, and less than regular pay for all overtime work. He has also helped distribute the propaganda of Gerald Winrod, whose connections have been exposed by the book "Under Cover."

Of course the "Christian Americans" have always been in the forefront of plots to split the Solid South and defeat Roosevelt. What Vance Muse has actually been doing, with considerable success, is selling Republicanism to rich Southerners. When the renegade Talmadge held his trumped-up "grass-roots" anti-Roosevelt meeting at Macon in 1935, he called upon Muse to promote it. In Macon Muse hobnobbed with Gerald L. K. Smith, who has promised to raise a million dollars to defend the fascists and seditionists now under indictment at Washington.

Guest Editor

This special issue of **The Patriot** has been prepared under the guest editorship of Stetson Kennedy. Described by the New York Times as "a keen observer and honest liberal thinker", this young author was born, raised, and educated in the South. Descendant of several generations of Southerners — two of them signed the Declaration of Independence and his grandfather fought for the Confederacy — Mr. Kennedy comes honestly by his interest and concern for the problems of the South.

After leaving the University of Florida, he supervised a series of social-ethnic studies in his state, and later directed a folklore recording expedition for the Library of Congress. Out of this experience came his first book, "Palmetto Country," part of the American Folkways Series. His articles have appeared in the New York Times, Survey Graphic, Saturday Review of Literature, Common Sense, The Crisis, etc.

The documentary material in this issue is to appear in his forthcoming book, "The Four Freedoms Down South", to be published in September by Doubleday, Doran.

Christian America Record So Far: Thirteen Anti-Labor Laws

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contract, thus bringing chaos and anarchy to industry.

Because the amendment thus violates the Constitution, there is good reason to trust that the U. S. Supreme Court will eventually rule it out. The Bosses know this full well, but they hope to delay a Supreme Court decision long enough to use the amendment to bust the unions and cut wages.

South's Economy At Stake

Should Christian American plans succeed, the general public will be the loser as much as labor, because lower wages and working conditions always hurt the entire community.

Already the "Christian Americans" and their co-conspirators have succeeded in pushing labor regimentation laws through eleven states: Texas, Arkansas, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Colorado, Kansas, South Dakota, Minnesota, Idaho, and Wisconsin.

Money to Burn

With "Christian American" support, "Right-to-Work" amendments were pushed through the legislatures of Arkansas and Florida, and placed on the ballot in California by means of an initiative petition. The people in these three states were called upon to approve or reject the amendment, which appeared on the 1944 ballot. The anti-labor propaganda was too much for the people of Florida and Arkansas (the "Christian Americans" admit spending $47,000 themselves in Arkansas alone); and the amendments were voted in.

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HERE'S WHAT THEY'RE UP TO

The Christian American

POST OFFICE BOX 405

HOUSTON, TEXAS

TO CHRISTIAN AMERICAN SUPPORTERS:

You will observe from the article that CHRISTIAN AMERICAN is accused of placing Labor Regulatory Laws on the statute books of nine states and the fear is also expressed that the "end is not yet". In this we heartily concur, for there are some thirty-nine states that have not yet received our CHRISTIAN AMERICAN plan for legislative action. With the continued support of cooperating patriots in a substantial way

Two states have already taken steps to place RIGHT TO WORK Amendments in their State Constitutions by approval of the voters in November 1944. We will see that the matter is given proper consideration in the other 46 states just as fast as we can get around to it. Thirty-two State Legislatures, by memorializing Congress, can compel the submission of the RIGHT TO WORK Amendment to the Federal Constitution. Ratification by 36 States makes it effective. To these ends we pledge our untiring efforts.

APPROVED:

Lewis Valentine Ulrey

Chairman

Respectfully submitted,

Vance Muse

Secretary Treasurer

Forewarned is forearmed!

In the above letter the false-faced "Christian Americans" brag of having already put across laws to hogtie labor in nine states.

"The end is not yet", they boast, and threaten to push the same laws in every state in the Union "just as fast as we can get around to it".

The legislatures of eight Southern states convene early in 1945—your state may be next on the "Christian American" list!

They may not appear under that same name—but by their anti-labor laws ye shall know them!

The "Christian Americans" have been investigated by the FBI and exposed by "Under Cover", the book on subversive activities.

The leaders of the "Christian Americans" have been associated with such "Under Cover" characters as Gerald Winrod and Gerald L. K. Smith. The last-named has promised to raise a million dollars to DEFEND the fascists and seditionists who've been indicted by the Federal Government.

In short, the "Christian Americans" are neither Christian nor American.

The "Christian American" propaganda photographed on these pages is slick as a 'possum's tail!

If you want to see through it you'll have to read every line—and then read in between the lines!

CHRISTIAN AMERICAN OBJECTIVES

We will take every proper step to bring about the enactment of Anti Violence in Strikes Laws in all states along the lines of similar statutes now in force in Texas, Mississippi, Arkansas, Alabama, Florida and other states.

We will encourage the submission of RIGHT TO WORK AMENDMENTS to all state constitutions by legislative action or initiative petitions.

We will advocate that all State Legislatures memorialize Congress for outright repeal or complete revision of the WAGNER NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS ACT in the interest of the workers and the public welfare. In its present form the main objective of this law is to enhance and perpetuate the political power of Communist inspired and Communist dominated labor groups and leaders.

We favor the submission of a Federal RIGHT TO WORK AMENDMENT by Congress to the State Legislatures for ratification or rejection.

Here the "Christian American" bamboozlers rave on to reveal their intention of butchering the Wagner National Labor Relations Act.

This is the Act, passed under Roosevelt's Administration, which protects the working man's right to organize freely into unions of his own choice, and to bargain collectively through his union:

HOW THEY MAKE A CROP

First they spade the ground . . .

NON-SECTARIAN, NON-PARTISAN, NON-PROFIT

THE CHRISTIAN AMERICAN

Incorporated 1936 Under Texas Laws
Louis Valentine Ulrey, Chairman

Post Office Box 405
Houston 2, Texas

Office of:
Vance Muse
Secretary-Treasurer
515 Kirby Bldg.

October 23, 1944

THIS LETTER HAS ALSO BEEN ADDRESSED TO OTHER INFLUENTIAL CITIZENS IN 254 TEXAS COUNTIES:

Before your state senator and member/s of the Texas House of Representatives leave for Austin to attend the regular session which convenes Tuesday, January 9, will you take it upon yourself to see that they are pledged to work and vote for the

FREEDOM TO WORK

submission of the FREEDOM TO WORK amendment to the Texas Constitution. This amendment provides as follows:

Here is one of the undemocratic methods Christian America uses to put over its repressive laws.

Just imagine—asking a handful of "influential citizens" to "see that" legislators who are supposed to represent all the people promise to vote for the Right-to-Scab amendment.

In all likelihood letters like this have gone—or soon will go—to "influential citizens" in your state.

YOU can put a stop to this, if you will speak up in concert with your neighbors.

then sow seeds of hate . . .

"Divide-and-rule" has always been the motto of tyrants. The "Christian Americans" are past-masters at divisive propaganda.

Note that in this ad the "Christian Americans" have revamped their original slogan "The Right to Work", making it "The Right of Servicemen to Work". The idea, of course, is to turn servicemen against labor, and thus throw everybody back into breadlines.

This particular ad was signed by a spurious "Constitutional Amendment Committee", doubtless a "second front" behind which the "Christian American" front thought it wise to hide.

If You Believe In True Democracy — If You Wish To GUARANTEE These Fighting Sons and Daughters of Yours and Ours, An Equal Opportunity To Earn When They Return — the RIGHT to WORK Regardless of Membership in Some Labor Union, or Lack of It . . .

WRITE OR WIRE NOW . . . TODAY

and turn on the heat . . .

WRITE YOUR REPRESENTATIVE IN LITTLE ROCK TODAY TO STAND HITCHED AND NOT WALK OUT. INSIST THAT HE VOTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 8. A PENNY POST CARD WILL DO THE TRICK.

The Christian American
POST OFFICE BOX 403
HOUSTON, TEXAS

Sec. 562, P. L. & R.
U. S. POSTAGE
PAID
Houston, Texas
Permit No. 3075

RURAL BOX HOLDER
LOCAL

The tip-off on the propaganda piece on the left—mailed to 25,000 rural mail boxes in Arkansas—are the words "the trick".

That's just what it is—a trick!

But wide-awake Southern farmers now realize that what hurts labor hurts them. If industrial workers aren't making good wages, they can't pay good prices for farm products—and then everybody suffers.

THE BITTER HARVEST

a politician's thanksgiving

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FIFTY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
E. M. "DOC" GRIFFITH, SPEAKER
LITTLE ROCK

MERLE B. SMITH
Jefferson County
210 Temple Street
PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS

COMMITTEES
Chairman
Member

March 4, 1943

Mr. Val Sherman, Associate Director
The Christian American
Houston, Texas

My dear friend Sher...n:

I want to again thank you, and from the bottom of my heart, for the great service you and your splendid Christian American organization have rendered the people of Arkansas in lining up powerful influences within this state to revive and finally enact the Anti-Violence in Strikes measure which I sponsored in the House.

Lacking seven votes of enactment when you appeared on the scene, you accomplished a legislative miracle by passing it with eleven votes over the required majority, for it was dead as a door nail when you took charge.

Only under the Christian American banner could the leaders of divergent groups and factions be assembled in a common cause. You brought the top ranking farm leaders, outstanding industrialists and other influential citizens into the picture in such an array of power and strength that the legislative body marveled, meditated and then voted with us.

Thanks also for bringing Senator W. Lee O'Daniel here. His able speech before the joint session of the General Assembly reassures all good Americans that government of, for, and by the people will not perish with Christian Americans like the Senator on guard in Washington.

Cordially yours,

Merle B. Smith

MBS:md

Inside every legislature there always seem to be some "representatives" who are willing to represent the Special Interests instead of the people who elected them.

The "Christian Americans", always tie-in with such politicians, to make it look like their imported laws are sure enough home-grown.

Call this Texas law by its rightful name—"A Law Regimenting Labor Unions".

That's what it does, in the very same way labor is regimented in Axis countries.

Note the tricky name of the outfit that published it—the "Association for Industrial Peace".

This may look like "just another law", but it's aimed directly at your pocketbook. In it are the seeds of wage slavery and Depression.

A LAW

Regulating Labor Unions, Etc.

The Manford Bill

MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH COURTESY OF
HARRIS COUNTY ASSOCIATION
FOR INDUSTRIAL PEACE
1527 COMMERCE BUILDING
HOUSTON, TEXAS

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while the people eat crow

When you hear the "Christian Americans" crow about putting an anti-labor law over on your state—look out! Because pretty soon you'll probably be eating crow.

Vance Muse, Secretary-Treasurer of the Christian Americans, always sends himself a telegram after putting one over on a state—then he shows it to the Moneybags as proof that he can deliver the goods—and the Moneybags shell out and say, "How about my state next?"

Charge to the account of

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MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, JUNE 23, 1943

CHRISTIAN AMERICAN
515 KIRBY BUILDING
HOUSTON, TEXAS

STRONGEST LABOR REGULATORY LAW YET ENACTED BY ANY STATE LEGISLATURE PASSED ALABAMA HOUSE TODAY BY VOTE OF 74 TO 19 HAVING BEEN ENACTED BY SENATE LAST WEEK 27 TO 4. IT CONTAINS PROVISIONS OF TEXAS MISSISSIPPI ARKANSAS ANTI-VIOLENCE IN STRIKES LAW VERBATIM. HOUSE OPPONENTS OFFERING CRIPPLING AMENDMENTS WERE DEFEATED THREE TO ONE. THEY REFERRED TO BILL AS THE PAPPY O'DANIEL CHRISTIAN AMERICAN LAW.

VANCE MUSE

BACK OF IT ALL

Reactionary Big Business

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401 BOYLE BUILDING
LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

March 4, 1943

Mr. Val Sherman, Associate Director
The Christian American
Kirby Building
Houston, Texas

Dear Val:

I hasten to congratulate you and your very fine organization on the splendid work you have done in a legislative way in our good State during this session of the Legislature in planning, sponsoring and expediting the passage of the anti-violence bill known as Senate Bill 65, which passed

In writing you this, I speak not only in all sincerity from a personal angle, but I speak for the Bureau of Industrial Advancement and other local civic groups who have expressed themselves to me in this way,

Cordially yours,

Lawrence Burrow

LBB:FS

The letter on the left reveals that the Arkansas "Bureau for Industrial Advancement" was one of the backers of the "Christian Americans" in Arkansas. In other states already invaded by the "Christian Americans" it has been very much the same.

In California, the Merchants and Manufacturers Association.

In Florida, an unholy alliance of the Associated Industries, Farm Bureau Federation, State Chamber of Commerce, Citrus Growers Association, and so on.

However, many clear thinking business leaders have repudiated Christian America and all it stands for.

Reactionary Big Farmers

The letter on the right reveals how the Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation was in cahoots with the "Christian Americans."

All over the South and Nation, certain Big Businessmen and Big Farmers have made a deal: the Big Farmers help Big Business to fight labor, and in return Big Business helps the Big Farmers fight Government programs set up to aid the small farmer.

Was there ever an alliance more unholy than this?

GENERAL OFFICE
[illegible] HALL BUILDING
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS FARM BUREAU FEDERATION

TELEPHONE 2-1503

LITTLE ROCK, ARK March 6, 1943

Mr. Val Sherman
Associate Director
Christian American Association
515 Kirby Building
Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Sherman:

You were very instrumental in setting up the organization and directing the effort that resulted in securing the passage of the anti-violence bill in the Arkansas Legislature. Our organization was pleased to cooperate in securing the passage of this measure.

Very truly yours,

Waldo Fraser

Waldo Fraser,
Executive Secretary

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Making The South Safe For Democracy

In its pre-election issue **The Southern Patriot** asked:

"Was there ever a President of the United States who was more concerned with the problems of the Southern people, and who did more to help them?

"Is there a Southerner—working man, farmer, white collar worker, professional or businessman—who has not benefitted under the Roosevelt Administration?"

We asked Southerners to answer those questions at the polls—which they did, solidly for Roosevelt. That was a great victory for the South as for all America—**but now there's danger that the victory might be stolen from us.**

We've made many gains under Roosevelt—but we're going to have to fight to hang on to them and continue to move forward.

Sneak Attack

The Big Rich who backed Dewey and tried to split the Solid South are not going to take their richly-deserved licking with good grace. Instead of cooperating with Roosevelt in winning the war and peace, the Special Interests have gone all-out to undermine democracy at the grass-roots. Having failed to capture either the Presidency or Congress, they've launched a sneak attack on our state legislatures and city councils. And they're concentrating their fire on the South, where democracy has four weak spots:

First, there's the polltax, which has so completely whittled down democracy in eight Southern states that many of their law-makers work for Special Interests instead of the people they're supposed to represent. On top of that, the Democratic primary in six Southern states still denies Negroes a voice in government. These two things add up to the plain fact that a home-grown fascism already threatens much of the South.

Second, the labor unions—which are the people's strongest weapon in defense of democracy—are weakest in the South. In spite of a 1,000 percent increase in Southern unionism since Roosevelt took office in 1932 (as compared to a 200 percent increase throughout the country), the South's industrial workers are still less than one-third organized, while the percentage who are organized elsewhere is well over one-half.

Third, there's the race prejudice which has been kept alive through generations of artificial feeding by the Corporate Interests, North and South, which profit from the disunity-cheapness of Southern labor. This weapon of prejudice is used to retard the unity of working Southerners in their unions and at the polls.

Fourth, poor schooling and bad health conditions have robbed many Southerners of the truth and strength they need to fight for their rights.

Those are the "big four" reasons why the turn-back-the-clock boys, or reactionaries, or fascists (or whatever name you prefer to call them) have chosen the South for their desperate attempt to gain a foothold for fascism in America.

Slick Propaganda Experts

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The NIIC plans to operate 11 regional offices. In the South, one has been carrying on in St. Louis for some time, and others were opened in Atlanta and Dallas during August. The NAM's budget for what it calls "non-political education" was $1,385,000 during 1944.

While the NAM lays down the anti-labor line for all its fellow-travelers, the stuff bearing its own label has become more and more sugar-coated (a result of Congressional investigations and exposures). On a national scale its line is dished out by mouthpieces like Westbrook Pegler, Fulton Lewis, Jr., and such outfits as the misnamed "National Small Businessmen's Association," Frank Gannett's "Committee for Constitutional Government," and Joseph P. Kamp's "Constitutional Educational League." The latter two were recently called before the House Committee Investigating Campaign Expenditures.

All these groups are striving mightily to produce a nationwide anti-labor "climate" favorable to the passage of state laws to regiment labor. Right now the NAM is publishing a string of expensive full-page newspaper ads. They're superslick, but if you read between the lines you can see what they're really driving at.

Preach Patriotism, Practice Fascism

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But in California it was killed good and proper by a public information campaign conducted by labor and other progressive groups. Only the backward-minded Merchants and Manufacturers Association of Los Angeles supported the amendment in that state, where it was opposed by sensible businessmen as represented by chambers of commerce, employers councils, as well as by the Democratic Party, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion posts, church federations, city and county commissions, numerous newspapers, and all labor bodies.

Big Business Plus Big Farmers

Here in the South, Christian-America is a cloak, a "front" organization, to cover the coalition of reactionary Big Business and Big Farmers; the Associated Industries in cahoots with the Farm Bureau Federation. The two have made a deal: the Big Farmers are helping Big Business to fight labor, and in return Big Business is helping the Big Farmers to fight Government programs set up to help the small farmer.

But here, as in California, neither the businessmen nor landlords present a solid anti-democratic front; only the most short-sighted and backward groups have joined in the fascist movement. Many clear-thinking, far-sighted business leaders have visualized the economic ruin implicit in further impoverishing the Southern people, and have repudiated Christian America and all it stands for.

The strength of the reactionaries, however, must not be underestimated. Their inflammatory papers receive wide circulation—Talmadge's Statesman, The W. Lee O'Daniels News, The Southern Outlook, The Southern Watchman, The Southern Weekly and Alabama Magazine, to name a few. Still harping on the race-hate racket, these papers have now joined wholeheartedly into the Inquisition against labor.

IT'S TIME TO ACT

One of the best calls to action against the "Christian American" plot has come from the Veterans of Foreign Wars:

"The proposed 'Right of Employment' initiative will not create one additional job. . . It will, however, if adopted, create a condition under which reactionary employers can ruthlessly exploit working men and women. . . This amendment proposes to restrict the very liberty and freedom our brothers and sons are fighting for overseas. The Veterans of Foreign Wars earnestly urge our fellow citizens not to be deceived by those who are creating strife and discord for their own profit when we should all be unitedly working to win the war and guarantee the peace."

Be "Fustest With the Mostest"

Only by following this good advice can we-the-people of the South keep our states free.

Already the Moneybags are on the march, disguised as "Christian Americans" or hiding behind some other false-face. We can't afford to wait until their lobbyists have invaded our legislatures and their propaganda appears in our newspapers and mailboxes. We've got to get to our legislators "fustest with the mostest." If we'll do that we can stop this thing dead in its tracks!

The labor unions are best equipped to bear the brunt in beating off the attack. Each and every union local should pass resolutions, sign petitions, and send their legislative committees into action!

"They Shall Not Pass"

Southern workers, farmers, and everybody else who wants to see the South hold on to what it has and forge ahead should sit down and write their legislators to be on guard against these Wall-Street-hatched proposals to take us back to a bigger and worse Depression.

Bring this matter up at the very next meeting of every organization you belong to. Urge them to pass resolutions and send copies to your legislators, the newspapers, and the Southern Conference for Human Welfare.

This Conference volunteers to serve as a rallying-point for the Southern people in the fight against the Right-to-Scab amendment and any and all other laws designed to make wage-slaves out of Southern labor and bring human suffering to our region.

Let us say in unison, and make good our saying: "They shall not pass!"

Southern Conference for Human Welfare
506-507 Presbyterian Building
Nashville 3, Tennessee

Put me down as ready and willing to do my part in helping to keep labor free and the South in progress.

☐ **Send THE SOUTHERN PATRIOT for one year. I enclose $1.00.**

☐ **Enroll me as a member of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare; I enclose $2.00 ($1.00 of which is for a year's subscription to THE SOUTHERN PATRIOT.)**

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